

Class 3

Summer 1 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back. We hope you had a lovely break. Happy Easter to all those who celebrated. We were sorry to say goodbye to Mrs Lowe at the end of the last term, but are very pleased to welcome Ms Bhattacharjee, who will teach the class on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Our Learning Away this half term is to Mansfield Museum on Thursday 21st May. We will be researching life in Ancient Egypt and participating in a discovery workshop. We will leave at 9:00 and will be back for the end of the school day.

Learning Together is on Tuesday 5th May and will be based on Art knowledge and skills.

PE will be Wednesdays and Thursdays. On Thursdays we will be having a professional cricket coach to teach the children a range of skills and techniques. Please make sure that earrings are removed on those days and that children come to school in their PE kits (no leggings or cycling shorts)

As the weather is improving, please make sure that your child has a water bottle in school.

Kind regards, Ms Eadon and Ms Bhattacharjee.



Reading:

We cannot emphasise enough the importance of reading to and with your child **every day**. Home learning expectations are **Read Every School Day**.

Please make sure that you sign your child's diary **every day** after they have read.

Fluency Targets- By the end of Year 3 children should be reading a **minimum** of 110 words per minutes.

Our new class reader is *I Was There: Tutankhamun's Tomb* by Sue Reid.



Science: Light

This term we will be learning about sources of light and how we see things. We will learn that darkness is the absence of light. Sun safety will be linked to our PSHE learning and we will be exploring how shadows are formed and the patterns they make. We will be discovering how the length of our shadows change throughout the day and try to find explanations why.

Key vocabulary – light source, darkness, translucent, opaque, transparent, shadow, uv light, protection

Attendance – 97% is our MINIMUM expectation NEW START TIME

It is vital children attend on time as our whole class learning now starts at **8.45am**. **Gates open at 8.35 am**. Our class attendance is significantly below the whole school **expectation of 97%**. Please help us to raise this so that we can be the best in the school!

MATHEMATICS Learning:

In maths, we will be learning about **length, perimeter, mass** and **capacity** and the units of measurement associated with them.

Additionally, we will be revising our knowledge of all four number operations (+ - x ÷) and the addition and subtraction of fractions. We will also be continuing to practise our fluency – pattern spotting and working systematically to solve problems and we will continue to practise our **8, 3 and 4x tables** – Please keep on learning and practising your times tables at home.

Year 3 need to know the 3's, 4's and 8's fluently as well as the 2's, 5's and 10's from Year 2.

Visit www.topmarks.co.uk/hitthebutton for fun times tables practise.

HISTORICAL knowledge learning -

Our new history unit is all about Ancient Egypt. We will be learning about the location and importance of the river Nile, how Pharaohs and peasants lived, how the Ancient Egyptians treated their dead and all about the discovery of Tutankhamun's tomb and its historical significance.

Key Vocabulary: Nile irrigation, shaduf, fertile, civilisation, peasantry, royalty, power, mummification, Canopic jars, Gods, Howard Carter, Tutankhamun, Valley of the Kings, Papyrus, hieroglyphics



PE: Wednesday and Thursday

Your child **must** come in their PE kit on Wednesday and Thursday.

PE kit is:

Plain red t-shirt

Plain black shorts or joggers **NO BRANDED LOGOS, LEGGINGS OR CYCLING SHORTS**

No jewellery can be worn due to health and safety. Please remove earrings or ensure your child can.



